The Government has also decided to set up 100 growth Centres in the country during the next 5 years for promotion of regional development of backward areas. In the first phase, 61 Growth Centres are being set up at a cost of Rs. 25 crores to Rs. 30 crores each.

With the bountiful monsoon and buoyancy evident in investment climate, the Seventh Five year Plan target of growth of industrial production is expected to be achieved.

Panna Oil-field Development Project

1957. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that clearance has been given by Public Investment Board for Panna Oil-field Development Project; and

(b) if so, what is the envisaged oil production and estimated cost to be incurred?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The project is estimated to cost Rs. 640.11 crores and would result in the production of 12.18 million tonnes of oil and 6975 million cubic metres of gas upto 2007-08 A.D.

Integrated Development of Western Offshore

1958. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any plans are under consideration for the integrated development of Western offshore;

(b) whether it is a fact that such a plan would reduce wastage of gas in Bombay offshore region; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the affirmative, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) to (c) Government have set up an expert group to study all aspects of ONGC's proposal for a Western Offshore Integrated Development project.

Setting up of a Polyester Filament Project in Bihar

1959. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration for setting up a polyester filament yarn project in Bihar;

(b) if so, what is the envisaged capacity, capital outlay etc.; and

(c) whether any private participation is envisaged?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGALRAO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Pollution prevention programme

1960. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA:
SHRI SHANTI TYAGI:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Productivity Council (NPC) has prepared a six point programme for the prevention of pollution;

(b) if so, what are the salient features of the said programme;

(c) what are the details of the industries likely to be covered under this programme; and